## Town of Middleton **Board of Selectmen Meeting**

January 6, 2020

Approved By Board of Selectmen

Called to order at 6:30 P.M. BOS Members Present: J. Hotchkiss, J. Knapp, Joseph Varga Pledge Recited

## **Signature Action:**

- J. Varga moves to approve the Board of Selectmen's meeting minutes dated 12/23/2019 as written.
- J. Knapp seconds, all in favor.

## **Old Business**

Cell Tower J. Knapp has been up there today no tracks. He talked with J. Mammone who stated that the cell tower should be up and running by January 15th. J. Coskie states that she heard from Sean Owen that it should be up in running on the 15<sup>th</sup> but isn't too sure. J. Hotchkiss ask why it is taking so long? Are we supposed to be first in the state and J. Coskie says first new tower? J. Hotchkiss ask if its normal to take this long and J. Knapp says it is normal. J. Knapp says it's out of our control. J. Hotchkiss ask if it has anything to do with it not being plowed J. Knapp states that's not typically the problem. J. Knapp says that he finished the Fire addition and states he spent about 55,000. J. Knapp states that with the new septic system it won't matter if they get a washing system for the Fire Department. J. Hotchkiss ask how much does entail to move the computers? J. Knapp states that it shouldn't be a big deal. J. Hotchkiss states when it is time to do the septic, he wants to make sure the trailer isn't going to hold it up.

## **New Business**

J Hotchkiss speaks on how we need to post the fire chief job and work with the fire department to having input on the interviews. J Hotchkiss wants to post it internally first for a week and see what happens. J. Hotchkiss wants to move quickly on this.

Deadlines that are coming up. J. Hotchkiss says there a budget committee meeting this Thursday at 6:30. J. Hotchkiss ask if the budget committee need anything from him. R Keegan states not at this time unless he has the warrant article written they would like to see what they are. J. Hotchkiss responds yes, he plans on having these ready for the budget committee. J. Coskie ask if he is going to repurpose the money for the cemetery trust fund and J. Hotchkiss answers yes, he is. R. Keegan ask if he is going to repurpose the cell tower money too and J. Hotchkiss says he plans on to do that. J. Hotchkiss speaks on how there is two ways of getting rid of a trust fund, we can repurpose it or dissolve it and put it back in the general fund.

R. Keegan talks about a thought of having a 5-man selectman what their thoughts on that are. J. Hotchkiss states he feels the 5 is more suited for a larger town.

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Respectfully submitted by: